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Fiscal Note

Fiscal Note On: **HB 903** HLS 09RS 3615

Bill Text Version: **REENGROSSED**Opp. Chamb. Action: **w/ SEN COMM AMD**

Proposed Amd.:

Sub. Bill For.: HB 375

Dept./Agy.: Local Taxing Authorities

Subject: Constitutional Amendment - Ad Valorem Tax

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TAX/AD VALOREM TAX

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(Constitutional Amendment) Limits the power of taxing authorities with governing authorities which are not elected to increase millage rates without voter approval and requires elections to approve the levy or renewal of property taxes of such **Purpose of Bill:** This measure amends the Constitution to limit the power of certain taxing authorities, whose governing boards are not elected, to increase millage rates without voter approval. The increase in the millage rate shall not increase property taxes collected by an amount which exceeds 2.5% of collections for the calendar year immediately preceding the year for which the increase is proposed.

Special fire protection or fire department districts and millages levied by certain levee districts (See Article VI, Section 39(A)) under the authority of the Louisiana Constitution are excluded from this limitation.

To be submitted to the electors at the statewide election to be held on November 2, 2010, and if passed to become effective January 1, 2011. (Companion to HB902)

EXPENDITURES	2009-10	2010-11	2011-12	2012-13	2013-14	5 -YEAR TOTAL
State Gen. Fd.	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Agy. Self-Gen.	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Ded./Other	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Federal Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Local Funds	SEE BELOW					
Annual Total	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
REVENUES	2009-10	2010-11	2011-12	2012-13	2013-14	5 -YEAR TOTAL
State Gen. Fd.	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Agy. Self-Gen.	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Ded./Other	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
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Local Funds	SEE BELOW					
Annual Total	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0

EXPENDITURE EXPLANATION

This fiscal note only addresses this measure as a constitutional process bill; therefore we only included the cost of the election. Further fiscal analysis has been done on enabling legislation in HB 902.

An official with the Secretary of State's Office informed us that putting this item on the November 2010 ballot would cause no additional expenditures to be incurred by the state or local government. This official also informed us that local funds expenditures may decrease in those elections where additional state paid ballot items are added. The actual savings to local jurisdictions cannot be determined until after the ballots are built.

REVENUE EXPLANATION

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<u>Senate</u>	<u>Dual Referral Rules</u>			
13.5.1 >= \$50	00,000 Annual Fiscal Cost			
13.5.2 >= \$50	00,000 Annual Tax or Fee			
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6.8(G) >= \$500,000 Tax or Fee Increase or a Net Fee Decrease



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